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On September 16, 2011, the Magistrate Judge filed a Report and 15 Recommendation (#44) recommending that Defendants' Motion to Enforce 16 the Settlement Agreement (#32) be granted, and Defendants' Motion to 17 Dismiss (#24) and Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint (#35) therefore be denied as moot. The Magistrate Judge  $19 \parallel \text{found that the parties entered into a complete settlement agreement in}$ 20 accord with general contract principles. Plaintiff filed an objection  $21 \mid (\#47)$  to the Report and Recommendation (#44), arguing that there was 22 never a meeting of the minds and a condition precedent to the 23 settlement never occurred. However, we agree with the Magistrate 24 Judge that Plaintiff's letter to counsel for Defendants stating that 25 he was willing to accept the proposed settlement and directing 26 Defendants to draft the necessary documents constituted an unambiguous acceptance of Defendants' counteroffer and therefore formed an 28 enforceable contract between the parties. The Report and

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Recommendation (#44) is well-taken, and is therefore APPROVED AND

ADOPTED. Defendants' Motion to Enforce the Settlement Agreement (#32)

is GRANTED, and Defendants' Motion to Dismiss (#24) and Plaintiff's

Motion for Leave to File Amended Complaint (#35) are DENIED as moot.

The Clerk shall enter judgment accordingly.

DATED: January 5, 2012.

11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE